

1914, ch. 810, sec. 2.

**270.** The State Board of Health shall have general supervision and control over the waters of the State, in so far as their sanitary and physical condition affect the public health or comfort; and it may make and enforce rules and regulations, and order works to be executed, to correct and prevent their pollution. It shall investigate all sources of water and ice supply, and all points of sewage discharge. It shall examine all existing public water supplies, sewerage systems and refuse disposal plants, and shall have power to compel their operation in a manner which shall protect the public health and comfort, or to order their alteration, extension or replacement by other structures when deemed necessary. After April 16, 1914, it shall pass upon the design and construction of all public water supplies, sewerage systems and refuse disposal plants which shall be built within the State.

1914, ch. 810, sec. 3.

**271.** The State Board of Health shall, when requested, consult with and advise the authorities of Counties and municipalities, and persons, having or about to have systems of water supply, drainage, sewerage, or refuse disposal, as to the most appropriate source of water supply, and the best method of assuring its purity, or as to the best method of disposing of drainage, sewage or refuse, with reference to the existing and future needs of all communities or persons which may be affected thereby. It shall also consult with and advise corporations, companies and individuals engaged or intending to engage in any manufacturing or other business whose sewage may tend to pollute the waters of the State. It may also conduct experiments relating to the purification of water and the treatment of sewage or refuse. No County, municipality, corporation, company or individual shall be required to bear the expense of such consultation, advise or experiments. Information that may be given shall be only of such preliminary nature as to outline the best course to pursue, and in no case shall the State Board of Health be required to prepare plans, specifications or detailed estimates for any improvement, unless it be specifically delegated to do so by the Governor or Legislature, and adequate special appropriation be provided for the purpose.

1914, ch. 810, sec. 4.

**272.** Every County, water, sewerage or sanitary district authority, municipality, corporation, company, institution and individual supplying or authorized to supply, on April 16, 1914, water, sewerage or refuse disposal service to the public, or owning water or sewerage systems, or refuse disposal plants, serving or authorized to serve the public, within the State, shall, within six months after said date, file with the State Board of Health a certified copy of the plans of its water supply or sewerage system, or refuse disposal plant, complete; such plans to be correct to date of submission, and to be of such scope and in such detail